

### **Abstract**

Custom management capability is provided through MBeans over a distributed management domain. The management domain is a collection of distributed servers that are managed as a unit, wherein the management system of the present invention presents an API for providing management services across a network. The common management system allows application designers to accomplish a broad range of management goals. The management network is also simple, abstract in that it separates an application author from the implementation, and is scalable. The system of the present invention supports both configuration and monitoring and is Java standards based. The management system is extensible in that a user can add additional types of management objects, schema attributes and extended persistence features.